

March 31, 2010



**Special points  
of interest!**

- 4/2 Food Expo Judging
- 4/3 Easter Egg hunt at noon
- 4/7 PTA Meeting 7PM



Rainbows  
by  
Georgia Stafford

Rain and sunshine  
work together,  
Afterwards make  
merry weather,  
Red, orange, yellow,  
green, and blue  
Make an arch right  
over you,  
There is something  
always told,  
At the end a pot of  
gold,  
However, these don't  
last for long,  
You'll find that they  
will soon be gone,  
But even when they're  
in your past,  
Their pretty colors will  
always last!

# KENNETH A. BRETT SCHOOL

**Principal Search** - KA Brett school principal Noel DeSousa is retiring at the end of the current school year. The search and selection process for the next principal was discussed at the March 17th school board meeting. During the meeting, Superintendent Jay McIntire informed the board that applications are currently being received at the SAU office as a result of advertisement of the position in a variety of job search forums. Mr. McIntire also presented a proposal to the board enlisting and encouraging all interested parents, teachers, community members and students to participate in the search and selection of the next leader at the school. The board agreed everyone's feedback is vital to helping the committee select the most qualified principal candidate to lead the students and the staff and to continue to build relationships with community members and organizations. **See the back of the newsletter for more information on how you can get involved.**

**PTA News** - Save the date of May 15th for our golf tournament to be held at Indian Mound Golf Course to benefit the after school and enrichment programs at our school. If you golf, get a team of four together to enjoy a great day. Registration forms are available in the school office.

**Food Expo** - Come and see the Food Expo! Which granola bar has the most chips? Which yogurt tastes the best? Which brand of chocolate chips is the best buy? How does the packaging compare for ketchup bottles? Where are the ingredients for pickles grown? How does advertising differ between cheese crackers? How do different brands of oat cereal compare nutritionally? Find out all of this and more Friday evening, from 6 to 7 PM.

**Kindergarten Registration** - If your child will be 5 years old by September 30, 2010, you can register for Kindergarten by calling 323-7271 to schedule an appointment for Monday, May 3rd or Tuesday May 4th.

## **Nurse Information - BREAKFAST! BREAKFAST! BREAKFAST!**

Many people skip breakfast because they sleep too late or because they think it's a way to stay thin, or simply because breakfast food doesn't appeal to them. But skipping breakfast doesn't help people maintain a healthy weight. In fact, people who skip breakfast tend to eat more calories throughout the day. Even worse, *kids* who skip out on breakfast are less able to learn at school, get less iron in their diets, and are more likely to be overweight. So stop making excuses for not eating breakfast—you owe it to your body and your brain to fuel up for your day the proper way and eat some breakfast!

Here are some breakfast eating tips. 1.) Pack a quick breakfast the night before so you can grab and go if you are often rushed in the AM. 2.) Treat breakfast like any other meal- make sure you have a selection from each food group. 3.) Limit pastries for breakfast.-Though better than no breakfast at all, things like donuts and pop tarts are packed with sugar and lack the nutrients to sustain adequate energy.4.)Don't like traditional breakfast food? Eat a PB&J or a grilled cheese-or maybe some leftovers from the tasty dinner the night before-may sound odd-but anything is better than no breakfast!

**Annual Easter Egg Hunt** - Sponsored by the Tamworth Rec. Department. All Tamworth children 4th grade and younger on Saturday, April 3rd at **Noon** at the K. A. Brett School. Rain or Shine!

**See the other page of the newsletter for More Community Events**

The following are details of the school board approved proposal, including the timeline for the selection process. If you are interested in being a part of the process, in any capacity, please notify the SAU office by April 15th so your name and contact information can be provided to the appropriate committee chair member.

Contacts: SAU phone: 539-2610, Jay McIntire [jmcintire@sau13.k12.nh.us](mailto:jmcintire@sau13.k12.nh.us), or Kathy Barrett [admin@sau13.k12.nh.us](mailto:admin@sau13.k12.nh.us)

### **Proposal for Brett Principal Selection**

Develop a Search Committee consisting of five-six individuals:

1-2 School Board Members who will serve as Search Committee Chairperson(s), 1 Parent Chairperson, 1 Community Chairperson, and 2 Staff/Student Co-Chairs. Each member of the search committee will participate in candidate screening and serve on the interview team.

The parent, community, and teacher/student chairpersons will be empowered to lead a task force of all interested constituents who will work to define qualification/experience priorities based on discussion and a questionnaire developed by them in collaboration with the superintendent. They will also contribute recommended interview questions to the superintendent.

The Search Committee and Superintendent will screen the applicants and identify those to be interviewed, typically not more than five. Interviews will be held.

The Search Committee and superintendent will appoint one of the Sub-Chairpersons to reference check those candidates who are deemed finalists after the interviews.

One of the Sub-Chairpersons and/or superintendent will conduct an on site visit of the school of each finalist. The Search Committee and superintendent will develop a formal questionnaire to guide both the reference checking and site reviews. These reviews will be conducted by no more than three individuals to be selected by the search committee. The results will be summarized and returned to the Search Committee.

The Search Committee and Superintendent will identify the top two to be interviewed by the full Board. On the basis of the process and the input of the Search Committee, the Superintendent will recommend a candidate to the board and will develop recommendations for compensation and length of employment agreement. The Search Committee Chair and the Superintendent will extend the formal offer.

### **Estimated Timeline:**

Closing date for applications:	April 15
Reports from subcommittees:	Week of April 19
Interviews:	Last week in April
Site visits:	First week in May
Interviews by school committee:	May 12 regular board meeting
Candidate under contract:	Before the end of May

### Community Events

**Tin Mountain** - Ducks and Doughnuts - YOB Saturday, April 10th at 9am, meet at Sherman's Farm Parking Lot. We will explore the Saco River and other open water in search of wood ducks, hooded mergansers, golden eyes, and other early migrants. Bring binoculars and we'll bring the doughnuts! Call 447-6991 for reservations.

**3rd Annual MWV Regional Science and Technology Fair** - All 7th through 12th grade students from the Mt. Washington Valley are invited to participate in the fair on Thursday, May 13th. For more information contact Julie Hoyt at [Julie.Hoyt@granite.edu](mailto:Julie.Hoyt@granite.edu) or visit [www.mwvsciencefair.com](http://www.mwvsciencefair.com). Applications are due by March 27th.

**Arts Council of Tamworth** - Presents storyteller Simon Brooks, back by popular demand, on Thursday, April 1 at 7:00 p.m. at the Cook Memorial Library in Tamworth, NH. Simon will tell stories suitable for grownups, kids 8 & older, and mature younger listeners. Program is free; donations welcome. Info: [www.artstamworth.org](http://www.artstamworth.org) or 603-323-8104.

**Tamworth Learning Circles Players** - Will present Gulliver's Travails at the Barnstormers Theatre at 6pm on April 22nd. For full details call 323-7477.

**The Mountain Storytellers Guild** - All these rainy days getting you down? Looking for a Lift? Why not come to the MET in North Conway for some April FOOLery? Tonight's show will benefit the Granite State Story Swap-New Hampshire's #1 Storytelling support program. 7:00 tonight, March 31st.

**Compost Bins** - The annual NRRA Compost Bin Sale is being conducted until April 7, 2010. Home compost bins can be ordered by contacting Marcia McKenna at 367-8831. They are being offered through the Northeast Resource and Recovery Association and more information can be found at their website. The bins are wholesale priced at \$42.00 each and include a booklet to get you started. Between 15% and 30% of all household trash can be composted, reducing transfer station costs and helping the planet.

**Tamworth Recreation Department** - Sign up for T-Ball (ages 4, 5, and 6) and grades 4, 5 and 6 girl's softball will be on Friday, April 9th from 5-7:30pm at the Brett School gym. The fee is \$10.00 per child. For more information call 323-7582.

**Volleyball Overnight Camp** - For girls entering 6th - 9th grade in the fall of 2010. A summer camp experience with a concentration in Volleyball. Visit [www.passsetcrush.com](http://www.passsetcrush.com) for more information.

**Touch A Truck** - Save Saturday, May 1st from 10am to 2pm at Kennett High School for the "Touch-A-Truck" event to benefit the Mt. Washington Valley Music Boosters. This fundraising event is aimed toward younger children and will allow them to get up close to various vehicles, ask questions about them and even sit in them. Parents are encouraged to bring a camera and make a special memory. We will be selling hamburgers, hot dogs, popcorn, donuts and water. We'll have a clown, face-painting, balloons, and a whole lot of FUN! If you have any questions please contact Jacci Gilmore at [jacci@localnet.com](mailto:jacci@localnet.com), Diane Gamache at [gamediane@yahoo.com](mailto:gamediane@yahoo.com) or Iris Bowden at [jarris1142@aol.com](mailto:jarris1142@aol.com)